

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

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Docket No. R97-1

Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 1997

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF CONSUMERS UNION OF UNITED STATES, INC.**

Consumers Union of United States, Inc. ("Consumers Union") respectfully submits this notice of its intervention in this case as a limited participator. We request that documents in this case be served upon:

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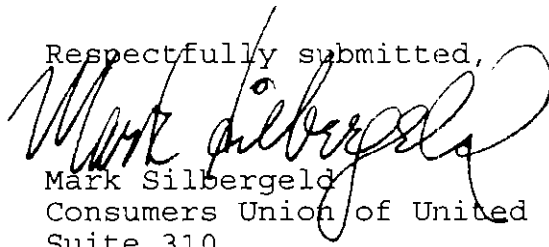
Consumers Union is a nonprofit membership organization chartered in 1936 to provide information, education, and counsel about consumer goods and services and management of the family income. Consumers Union's income is derived solely from the sale of Consumer Reports magazine, its other publications and media products, and non-commercial grants.

In addition to reports on Consumers Union's own product testing, Consumer Reports, with approximately 5 million subscribers, regularly carries articles on health, product safety, marketplace economics, and legislative, judicial and regulatory actions affecting consumer welfare. Consumers Union's publications carry no advertising and receive no commercial support.

Consumers Union mails substantial volumes of nonprofit standard mail and publications.

Consumers Union has not yet determined the extent to which it will support the Postal Service's proposals, and whether to participate in any hearings in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mark Silbergeld", is written over the typed name and address.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document on all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Jul T. Thomas

July 11, 1997